

Grinnell, George H.

September 20, 1904

GRINNELL'S
COMMERCIAL SCHOOL
—
GEO. H. GRINNELL, PRINCIPAL
—
OFFICE, 48 MAIN ST., ROOM 31

KEENE, N. H.,

Sept. 20/04.

Messrs S. H. & H. Chapman,
Philadelphia, Penn.

Gentlemen:

Please send me on approval some
U. S. copper cents, uncirculated or very fine,
any dates from 1793 to 1857. Also coins of
Ancient Rome, silver or bronze. I refer you
to Mr. H. C. Morey of 31 Exchange St. Boston
with whom I have had dealings for several
years, also Mr. J. B. Peters, 152 High St. Keene
N. H. who gave me your address.

Very truly yours
Geo. H. Grinnell.

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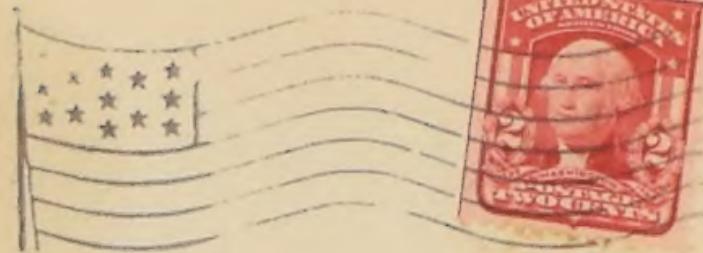
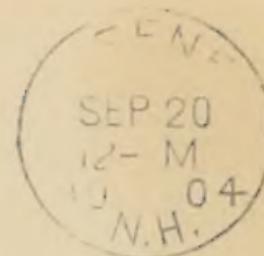
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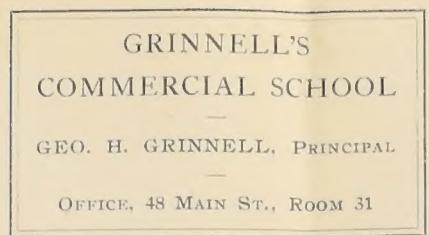
AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO
GRINNELL'S
COMMERCIAL SCHOOL,
KEENE, N. H.



Messrs. H. & H. Chapman
1348 Pine St.,
Philadelphia,
Penn.

Grinnell, George H.

September 24, 1904



KEENE, N. H. Sept. 24/04

Messrs. H. & H. Chapman
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Yours of the 21st. inst recd. I note that you say you have uncirculated copper cents ranging from 25¢ to \$200. of the dates 1793 to 1857. Please send me several duplicates of each date that you have for 25¢ each. Am always glad to get any old copper cents in uncirculated condition at reasonable prices. Have paid as high as \$14.00 for uncirculated 1809 cent. Would like a selection of the lower priced cents first though. My position is this: ten years ago I collected coppers and 1/2 cents and had a fine collection. Then the "fever" cooled and I sold out: now I want to get them back again. As I say I will be glad to have duplicates in unc. condition of any dates. I use F. W. Doughtys book on varieties so you see duplicate dates

might contain minute differences that the ordinary collectors do not care to look for.

Thanking you for your attention
I am

Very truly yours,
Geo. A. Grinnell.

P. S.

I am surprised at the wholesale way in which you talk and so we will let the Romans drop for a while till I get all the U. S. coppers I want. I do not care for coppers poorer than very fine, and then only in the rarer dates. I did not know before that there was a dealer who could supply a \$10,000 collection of copper cents on demand.

Send me about \$10. or \$15. worth of the common dates unc. on approval, and if you care to, you might send one or two of the rarer ones such as 1804 or 1809 in same condition.

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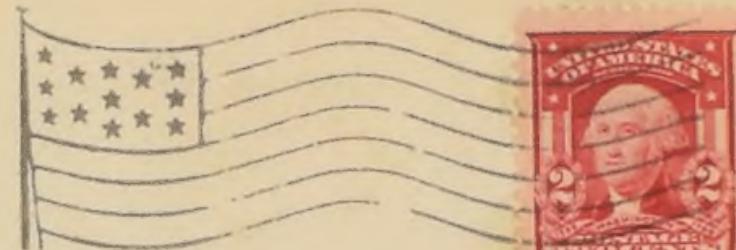
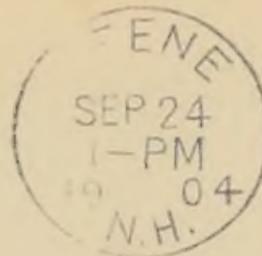
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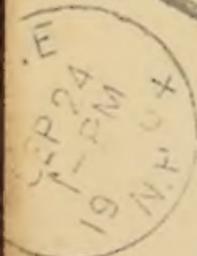
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Grinnell, George H.

October 26, 1904

GRINNELL'S
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—
GEO. H. GRINNELL, PRINCIPAL.
—
OFFICE 48 MAIN ST., ROOM 31.

KEENE, N. H., Oct. 26, 1904.

Messrs S. H. & H. Chapman;
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find money order for \$6.63 for amount of enclosed bill, which please receipt and return. Lot #115, described as "Fine" I should not call better than "Good." Lot #116 was not exchanged for #115 by mistake was it?

Thank you for your attention to my list of bids. Send me list of your next sale when same is ready.

Yours very truly,
Geo. H. Grinnell.

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COMMERCIAL SCHOOL,
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Messrs. S. H. & T. Chapman
1348 Pine St.
Philadelphia,
Penn.

Grinnell, George H.

October 31, 1904

GRINNELL'S
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OFFICE 48 MAIN ST., ROOM 31.

KEENE, N. H.,

Oct. 31, 1904.

Messrs. S. H. & H. Chapman,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Yours of the 29th received and I am glad you sent me lot #116 as it has given me an opportunity of comparing your "very good" with your "fine" condition.

I find that you and I differ quite a little in classification. I should call lot #116 "about good," lot #115 "good." — If these two lots were dated 1848 instead of 1803 you would agree with me, I think, in this. — Why make any distinction? I judge from what I have seen of your descriptions of coins that if lot #116 was dated 1799 you would call them "remarkably fine," instead of "very good."

I have collected coins for 15 or 16 years and got interested, first, in uncirculated coppers, by Ira Wales of Whitman, Mass. He taught me the difference in conditions 15 years ago and told me then, and I have

since found it to be a fact, that many collectors of fine coppers and even a few dealers have one great fault in describing the condition of coppers, viz: assuming that we have four coppers dated 1799, 1802, 1806, & 1853 all exactly alike in condition and all reverse side up at the first inspection. The 1806, 1802, and 1799 would be called "fine" and the 1853 "very good" by these collectors who have the fault. Turn the coins over and lo and behold - the 1799 is "grabbed" and pronounced "nearly uncirculated" the 1802 becomes "very good" the 1806 becomes "very fine" and the 1853 is merely "good".

I think you catch my meaning.

I do not mean to "teach a fish to swim", but dealing as you must with collectors who have this fault, I think you have contracted the disease, or at least have a few of the symptoms.

As, lot *116 are both different varieties of 1803 from those I have, would like to buy them if your price is right. Please let me know what it is.

Yours very truly,
Geo. H. Grinnell.

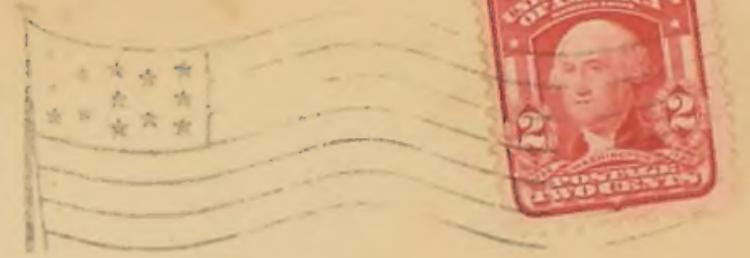
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Messrs S. H. & H. Chapman,
1348 Pine St.,
Philadelphia
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Grinnell, George H.

November 17, 1904

GRINNELL'S
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GEO. H. GRINNELL, PRINCIPAL
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OFFICE, 48 MAIN ST., ROOM 31

KEENE, N. H., Nov. 17, 1904,
Messrs S. H. & N. Chapman,
Philadelphia, Pa.
Gentlemen:

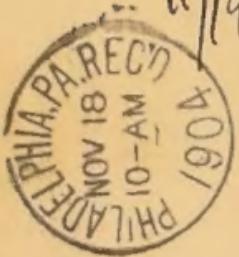
Enclosed find 50\$ for the
balance of my account. I overlooked
the bill and the matter escaped my attention
until just now. I trust you will pardon
my delay.

Please send me your next sale
list when ready.

Yours
Geo. H. Grinnell

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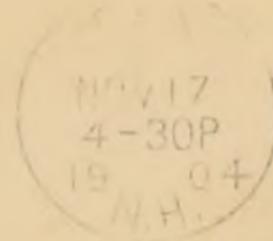
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KEENE, N. H.



S. H. & H. Chapman,
1348 Pine St.
Philadelphia,
Pa.

Grinnell, George H.

December 8, 1904

December 9, 1904

December 10, 1904

[4 items, 3 dated, 1 envelope,
of the earliest date.]

Dec. 8, 1904

Messrs. S. H. & H. Chapman,

1348 PINE STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

Please execute the following bids at a sale to be held
in Philadelphia on the 16th of Dec. 1904.

The bids are at so much each piece.

Priced Catalogues are cash with order.

NO.	BID	REMARKS	NO.	BID	REMARKS
348	✓ 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ft		535	03	7-12
352	✓ 60	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 3	536	04	5-
353	✓ 37	50 ft	547	✓ 22	20.30
362	✓ 04	5-18	548	11	-
410	✓ 70				
425	✓ 20				
426	60	1-			
431	100	2-3			
437	✓ 50	50 x 60 "			
455	✓ 10	20 "			
468	60	1-			
469	25	75 "			
494	26	50 ft			
497	05	8.15 "			
498	04				
501	✓ 90				
509	✓ 35	50			
510	✓ 70	120 x 24			
513	70	1-110			
515	02 $\frac{1}{2}$				
516	03	6-12			
518	01 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$			
530	✓ 50	125 x 24			

Yours Respectfully,

Geo. N. Grinnell



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—
OFFICE 48 MAIN ST., ROOM 31.

KEENE, N. H.,

Dec. 8, 1904.

Messrs S. H. & F. Chapman,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed find 40¢ stamps for priced
catalog of sale to be held Dec. 16; also a
few bids for lots in this sale.

Yours very truly,
Geo. H. Grinnell.

Mr Geo. H. Grinnell

1348 Pine St.
Phila 12/9/04

Dear Sir:-

Give letter of bids received
for which we thank you. The following
numbers are likely to bring the prices for
named and shall be glad to have you increase
your bid.

302 - $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$

303 - 50^f

307 - $\frac{3}{4}$ to 8^d

426 - $\frac{1}{4}$

431 - $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$

437 - 50^f to 65^d

455 - 20^f

468 - $\frac{1}{4}$

469 - 75^d

494 - 50^f

497 - $\frac{1}{2}$ to 15^d

509 - 50^f

510 - $\frac{1}{2}$, 1.25 to $\frac{1}{2}$

513 - $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1.50

516 - 6^d to 12^d

518 - 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ^d

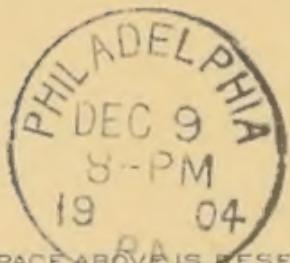
530 - 4 to 12^d

535 -

536 - 5^d

547 - 20 to 30^f

Respectfully
J. Smith Chapman



THE SPACE ABOVE IS RESERVED FOR POSTMARK.

POSTAL CARD.

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.



Geo. Goldinell
48 Main St., Room 31
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GRINNELL'S
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OFFICE 48 MAIN ST., ROOM 31.

KEENE, N. H.,

Dec. 10, 1904.

Messrs S. H. & H. Chapman,
Philadelphia Pa.,
Gentlemen.

Your postal received and
I thank you for the information thereon.
Please raise my bid on lot #547 to 22¢
& lot #510 to 1.00.

I notice you have made an error
in your estimate of lot #530. My bid was
50¢ and your card says it will probably sell
for 7¢ to 12¢. I presume you meant this
price to apply on lot #535.

I think your ^{estimate for} bids on these lots is about
right but in sending in my bids I figured to
get a bargain if I got them. Those that
I particularly wanted I bid all that I felt
they are worth. Coins are selling at what
would be called above par just at this
time because of a "boom". I think a few
years hence the market will experience a
decline and then more bargains can be had.

Yours respectfully, Geo. H. Grinnell.

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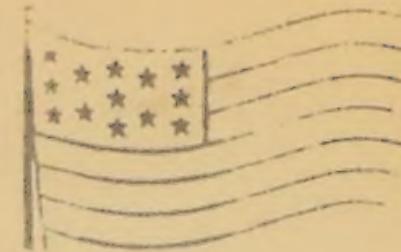
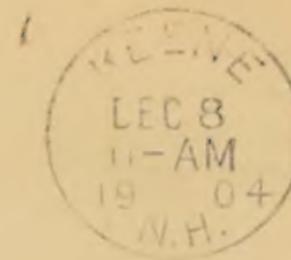
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